

**REMARKS**

The Assignee respectfully requests entry of the above preliminary claim amendments.  
The Assignee respectfully submits that the amended claims are in condition for allowance.

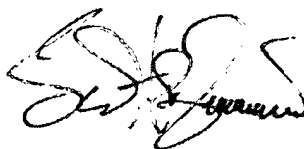
**Excess Claim Fees**

This preliminary amendment adds new claims 30 and 31. These two (2) extra claims require an excess claim fee of \$100 (2 x \$50). New independent claim 30, in addition, requires \$200. The total excess claim fee is \$250.

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If any questions arise, the Office is requested to contact the undersigned at (919) 387-6907 or [scott@scottzimmerman.com](mailto:scott@scottzimmerman.com).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott P. Zimmerman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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